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By the QUEEN,

A PROCLAMATION,

For a General Fast.

ANNE R.

WE *taking into Our ſerious Conſideration the Continued War, in which We, with ſeveral other Princes and States of* Europe, *are moſt juſtly Engaged, which hath coſt ſo much Blood and Treaſure, and moſt humbly Acknowledging the great Goodneſs of God, who hath given the Arms of Us and Our Allies many and great Succeſſes, whereby Our Enemies have been Reduced ſo far as to make Propoſals for Treating of a General Peace, and a Time and Place have been appointed for that Purpoſe, Have, out of Our Religious Diſpoſition, Reſolved, and by and with the Advice of Our Privy-Council, do hereby Command, That a Publick Faſt ſhall be Obſerved throughout that Part of Our Kingdom of* Great Britain *called* Scotland, *upon* Friday *the Twenty fifth Day of* January *next, that ſo both We and Our People may humble Our ſelves before Almighty God, in order to Obtain Pardon for Our Sins, and may, in moſt Devout and Solemn manner, ſend up Our Prayers and Supplications to the Divine Majeſty, for Averting thoſe heavy Judgments which Our manifold Sins and Provocations have moſt juſtly deſerved, and for Imploring His Bleſſing on that intended Treaty, That thereby may be Produced an Honourable, Secure, and Laſting Peace to Us and the Nations and States in Alliance with Us; and that He will be pleaſed to give His Bleſſing and Aſſiſtance on the Arms of Us and Our Allies, and Our and Their Forces, both by Sea and Land, till Our Enemies ſhall ſubmit to ſuch a Peace. And We do ſtrictly Charge and Command, That the ſaid Publick Faſt be Reverently and Decently Obſerved by all Our Loving Subjects in* Scotland, *on the ſaid Twenty fifth Day of* January *next, as they Tender the Favour of Almighty God, and would Avoid His Wrath and Indignation, and upon Pain of ſuch Puniſhment as We may juſtly Inflict on all ſuch as Contemn or Neglect the Performance of ſo Religious a Duty. Our Will Pleaſure is therefore, and We Charge, that incontinent, this Our Proclamation ſeen, ye paſs to the Market-Croſs of* Edinburgh, *and all other Places needful, and there, in Our Name and Authority, make Publication hereof, that none pretend Ignorance. And Our Will Pleaſure is, That our Sollicitor do cauſe Printed Copies hereof to be ſent to the Sheriffs of the ſeveral Shires, Stewarts of Stewarties, and Baillies of Regalities, and their Clerks, whom We Ordain to ſee the ſame Publiſhed: And We Appoint them to ſend Doubles hereof to the ſeveral Paroch-Kirks within their Bounds, that upon the Lord's-Day immediately preceding the Day abovementioned, the ſame may be Publiſhed and Read from the Pulpits immediately after Divine Service.*

Given at Our Court at St. *James*'s, the Nineteenth Day of *December*, 1711. in the Tenth Year of Our Reign.

God ſave the QUEEN.

Warſaw, Decemb. 12. *N. S.* The Palatinate of Cracow, have refus'd Winter-Quarters to the Troops of the Crown, and have alſo ſet forth a Manifeſto endeavouring to juſtifie their Conduct. In Anſwer to which, the Great Marſhal of the Crown has publiſh'd another. It has been reſolv'd in a Council of War, in Conjunction with the Senators, held at Leopold, that the ſaid Troops ſhall take up their Quarters in that Palatinate by Force, in caſe the Inhabitants ſhall go about to oppoſe them. Great Debates have aroſe among the Deputies of Lithuania about the Subſidies demanded of them for maintenance of the Forces belonging to that Duchy. Whereupon they have ſent a Deputation to the Great Mareſchal of the Crown to remonſtrate againſt it. That General has earneſtly repreſented to them, how neceſſary it is to make Proviſion for Subſiſting that Army, on which the Safety of their Country depends, and therefore exhorted them to give their Conſent to a Tax of Eighteen Florins on every Chimney, as was done the laſt Year. Our laſt Letters from Bender inform us, That the King of Sueden was ſtill there, with the Palatin of Kiow, the ſmall Body of Men remaining with his Majeſty being Quarter'd along the Nieſter. They add, that Lieutenant-General Stetzki, with a Troop of the Cavalry of the Crown-Army, had ſurpriz'd thoſe of the Palatin of Kiow, and made a great Slaughter of them.

Vienna,